## **EXHIBIT "A"**

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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA (RICHMOND DIVISION)

In re:	
CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., et al.	Case No. 08-35653-KRH
Debtors.	Jointly Administered Chapter 11 Proceedings

DECLARATION OF WILLIAM F. BAKER IN SUPPORT OF EKLECCO NEWCO, L.L.C. AND CROSSGATES COMMONS NEWCO, L.L.C.'S RESPONSE TO THE LIQUIDATING TRUST'S FORTIETH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO LANDLORD CLAIMS (REDUCTION OF CERTAIN INVALID CLAIMS-MITIGATION)

STATE OF NEW YORK )
(SS:
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA)

William F. Baker, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I. I am Assistant General Counsel of Pyramid Management Group, LLC (the "Management Company"). The Management Company is the managing agent for EklecCo NewCo, L.L.C. ("Landlord I") and Crossgates Commons NewCo, L.L.C. ("Landlord 2").

- 2. Landlord 1 is the owner of a shopping center known as Palisades Center, West Nyack, New York ("Center 1").
- 3. Landlord 2 is the owner of a shopping center known as Crossgates Commons, Albany, New York ("Center 2").
- 4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Declaration and I may be contacted at: Pyramid Management Group, LLC, 4 Clinton Square, Syracuse, New York 13202, (315) 422-7000.
- 5. Landlord 1 was a party to a lease ("Lease 1") with Circuit City Stores, Inc. (the "Debtor") of premises ("Premises 1") at Center 1.
- 6. Landlord 2 was a party to a lease ("Lease 2") with the Debtor of premises ("Premises 2") at Center 2.
- 7. In the regular course of my employment by the Management Company, I review rent and other charges billed to the tenants of Landlord 1 and Landlord 2. I also have access to records regarding Landlord 1 and Landlord 2's efforts to relet Premises 1 and Premises 2.
- 8. The Landlords diligently and efficiently sought to relet the Premises following the Debtor's rejection of the Leases. In particular, the Landlords met with various prospective tenants, showed the Premises to prospective tenants, provided lease plans to prospective tenants, conducted lease negotiations with prospective tenants, and ultimately executed leases for all of the Premises.
- 9. The total amount of rent reserved under Lease 1 from November 11, 2008 until the end of the Lease term is \$12,869,837.54. An itemization of this calculation is attached to this Declaration as Schedule 1.
  - 10. Fifteen percent of this rent reserved is \$1,930,475.63.

- 11. Landlord 1's claim for \$1,930,475.63 plus attorneys' fees remains due.
- 12. Subsequent to the rejection of Lease 1, Landlord 1 relet Premises 1 to various tenants. It has received \$236,300.23, less commissions, from its subsequent tenants.
- 13. Claim No. 13020 was filed based on the then calculated total rent reserved of \$12,032,159.44 in the amount of \$1,827,361.40, which included \$22,532.08 of pre-petition rent arrears.
- 14. The actual total amount of rent reserved under Lease 2 is \$12,230,918.34 and outstanding pre-petition rent under Lease 2 amounts to \$36,962.83. Fifteen percent (15%) of the total rent reserved is \$1,834,637.75. An itemization of the foregoing is attached to this Declaration as Schedule 2.
  - 15. Landlord 2's claim filed for \$1,827,361.40 plus attorneys' fees remains due.
- 16. Subsequent to rejection of Lease 2, Landlord 2 relet Premises 2 to CC Retail, LLC, which did business as Ultimate Electronics. Ultimate Electronics filed for bankruptcy protection and is now being liquidated pursuant to chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. Landlord 2 has received no net rent and has, in fact, incurred significant costs in reletting Premises 2. As a result, its state law claim taking into account mitigation is significantly higher than its claim filed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(6).

William F. Baker

Sworn to before me this day of June, 2012

Notary Public

SALLY A. O'DONNELL Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Onondaga County Commission Expires March 30, 20

## **SCHEDULE "1"**

OF FUTURE PAYMENTS 11/10/2008	MET PRESENT VALUE
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TERM:
TCD:
SQ. FT.:
EXPIRATION:
NPV DATE:

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PALISADES CENTER

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## **SCHEDULE "2"**

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Circuit City store # 03160
Filing Date - 11/10/08
Crossgates Commons NewCo, LLC
Lease Rejected 3/10/09

\$15,204.05 \$21,758.78 <b>\$36,962.83</b> Payments
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Common Area
Total

Minimum Rent